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1. TWO LARGE STORES BOMBED OUT DOWNTOWN BELFAST FEB. 17. PROVISIONAL IRA HAS CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THESE AND FOR FOUR-BOMB ATTACK ON BELFAST MAIN POST OFFICE PARCEL SORTING DEPOT FEB. 16. THERE FEW OTHER INCIDENTS REPORTED AND SO FAR AS KNOWN THERE NO MOB-TYPE ACTION IN PAST 24 HOURS. SPORADIC HIJACKING AND BURNING OF VEHICLES CONTINUES.

2. PROTESTANT PARAMILITARIES, LARGELY QUESCENT DURING RECENT VIOLENCE, APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR MACHINE GUNNING OF CATHOLIC PUB IN CLAUDY COUNTY LONDONDERRY NIGHT FEB. 18. ONE MAN KILLED TWO WOUNDED. SHOOTING BELIEVED RETALIATION FOR KILLING RUC RESERVE CONSTABLE LAST WEEK (REFTEL B). KILLERS THREE WOMEN (REFTEL A) MAY WELL BE MEMBERS PROTESTANT PARAMILITARY ORGANIZATION BUT THAT ACTION SEEMS TO HAVE STARTED AS DRUNKEN ATTEMPT AT ROBBERY. CONGEN INFORMED THAT IRISH VOLUNTEER FORCE (REFTEL A) HAS CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR MASSACRE PROTESTANTS AT WHITECROSS JANUARY UNCLASSIFIED

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